

**Education and Personnel Committee
Meeting Minutes for May 22, 2002
Burbank Holiday Inn
150 Angeleno
Burbank, CA
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Members Present: Carol Gunter, Louis Bruhnke, Debbie Becker, Nancy Steiner,
Sean Trask and Debi Moffat

Non-Members Present: Miranda Swanson

I. Approval of Minutes for April 18, 2002

Minutes were approved with no changes.

II. Items to forward to VLT

- Non-substantive change to Statute (EMT-B, EMT-I, and EMT-P)
- Definitions document
- Brochures

III. Draft Definitions

- The committee agreed to post the Definitions document to the website

IV. Scope of Practice document

1. Nancy introduced the document, mentioned it was almost complete, but still needed a bit of work.
2. The suggestion was made to include the basic scopes of practice in the document.
3. The committee had some suggestions on moving/excluding some medications in the basic scope of practice.
4. The group wanted to bring Dr. Angelo Salvucci's document to agendaize this topic for the next meeting. The group would make some modification suggestions to EMDAC based upon this document.

Assignments:

- Carol will bring input back to the next meeting on non-invasive diagnostic procedures for EMT-II and Paramedic.
- Nancy will make editorial changes to the document, and send to the group before it goes to EMDAC.

V. EMT-I Task Force Update

1. The task force has narrowed the vendor choices to the Chauncey Group and the National Registry. A subcommittee has developed a

list of issues for both vendors to respond to. After this step, it will turn the decision over to the EMS Authority.

2. The committee concurred with the suggestion of establishing a requirement for a local refresher course

VI. Draft Survey for Rural Education

1. Sean presented the draft rural survey to the group, and stated that these had been sent out from the Authority
2. The group made the suggestion to add a definition of rural areas to the EMS System Standards and Guidelines.
3. EMSA is currently gathering a list of online providers and requirements for adjacent states. The group made the suggestion that it should indicate whether the Authority approves the program.

VII. Objective 5- Educating the Public on the appropriate use of the ER

1. Carol Gunter stated that L.A. had put together a brochure that including appropriate usage of the ER with NBC 4 for the L.A. 30th anniversary EMS conference.
2. The group discussed putting together a brochure and education program for statewide use.
3. Miranda will discuss this with Jeff Rubin, and check on current activities on this issue and bring the information back to the next meeting.

VIII. EMT-II regulations

1. Sean has not received much comment on the EMT-II regulations.
2. The suggestion has been made to limit the regulations to use only in rural areas.

IX. Brainstorming on remaining objectives

Objective 3

- The group is interested in adopting the MDOs for Paramedics for EMT-I.
- Debi Moffat will look at the document and see what changes would need to be made to apply to EMT-Is. She will do this before the next meeting, and send it to Nancy Steiner for dissemination to the group.

Objective 6- Professionalism

- The group discussed this objective and started to brainstorm on possible solutions, such as:
 1. Creating a position for field personnel to be represented on committees as a constituent group
 2. Encouraging membership in professional organizations
 3. Is this problem unique to CA or is this all over the United States?

4. How many NREMTs are from California?
5. Ask National Registry if they would like to organize a local chapter in California?

To do:

- Look at curriculum modules for professionalism for the next meeting
- Louis will put together a list of ideas for the next meeting on this objective
- The group will put together a list of professional associations for EMS professionals in California for the next meeting